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Here are the expenditures from July 22 2016:

2200-2250 Adults Only 7065 1/2 Sunset Blvd

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2300-000 Mama Shelter 6500 Selma Ave

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0030-0110 The Room 1626 N Cahuenga Blvd

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2215-2250 Outpost 1624 Cahuenga Blvd

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Violation: RFC No. F97323 for 12.29 LAMC (CUP Violation) issued to Jennifer Hansen

2315-2350 Cosmo 6364 Hollywood Blvd (3.18 Loc) Dr No. 15330117

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0035-0115 Rusty Mullet 1708 N Las Palmas Ave

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Here is my Rusty Mullet Presentation. Please let me know what you think.

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On Wed, Jul 27, 2016 at 12:53 PM, BENJAMIN THOMPSON <39467@lapd.lacity.org> wrote:

> Hi Mr Halden,

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> This letter looks excellent! Thank you for completing it!

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> Officer Thompson

> Serial No. 39467

> Hollywood Vice

> Mobile Phone No. (805) 624-2015

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> >>> Dan Halden <daniel.halden@lacity.org> 7/27/2016 12:10 PM >>>

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> July 28, 2016

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> Office of Zoning Administrator

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> City of Los Angeles

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> 200 N. Spring Street, #763

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> Los Angeles, CA 90012

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> \*Re: Case No. DIR 2016-1722(RV)\*

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> \*Possible Imposition of Conditions to Abate Nuisance or Revocation of Use\*

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> \*1708 N. Las Palmas Avenue (Rusty Mullet)\*

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> To Whom It May Concern:

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> Representing Hollywood and the 13th District on the Los Angeles City

> Council, my top priority is ensuring public safety and elevating the

> quality of life throughout our neighborhoods.

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> The establishment located at 1708 N. Las Palmas Avenue, home of the Rusty

> Mullet, has been cited for multiple recurring violations of its Conditional  
> Use Permit (CUB). Since January 1, 2014, the establishment has generated 46  
> investigative reports, notices to appear or arrest reports from the Los  
> Angeles Police Department (LAPD). During this time, LAPD has found Rusty  
> Mullet to have repeatedly violated several conditions of its CUB, including  
> 15 separate violations of Condition No. 10, which prohibits music from  
> being audible beyond the subject premises. LAPD has also found the  
> establishment to have been in repeated violation of various conditions of  
> its Alcohol & Beverage Control (ABC) permit, and out of compliance with  
> LAPD Police Commission requirements for live entertainment and dancing.

>  
> Included in the 46 incidents recorded by the LAPD since January 1, 2014  
> are 26 crime reports, all of which were generated from activity within the  
> venue itself. LAPD also responded to four additional instances of criminal  
> activity that occurred just outside the venue, but involved individuals who  
> were patronizing the Rusty Mullet shortly before the crimes took place.

>  
> Obtaining a Conditional Use Permit is a privilege and comes via an  
> extensive public process, and a solemn obligation to the terms of the  
> permit and to the surrounding community. Additionally, all establishments  
> in the City of Los Angeles are expected to prioritize public safety and  
> comply with the law. The recurring problems at this location violate the  
> public trust and put a heavy strain on City resources, including the Los  
> Angeles Police Department, City Attorney, Department of Building and Safety  
> and Department of City Planning.

>  
> Given the lengthy and well-documented history of Conditional Use  
> violations at this establishment, as well as the significant criminal  
> activity that has taken place, my office recommends \*revocation of the  
> Conditional Use Permit\* for this location.

>  
> Should the Zoning Administrator allow for the CUB to remain in place, I  
> request that any new conditions are as strict and robust as possible, given  
> the establishment's documented history of repeatedly violating its existing  
> conditions. Possible new conditions could include (but are not necessarily  
> limited to) imposing a closing time of midnight, mandatory closure of the  
> windows on the facility, etc.

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> Sincerely,

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> \*MITCH O'FARRELL\*

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> \*Councilmember, 13th District\*

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Officer Thompson

Serial No. 39467

Hollywood Vice

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July 28, 2016

Office of Zoning Administrator

City of Los Angeles

200 N. Spring Street, #763

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Case No. DIR 2016-1722(RV)

Possible Imposition of Conditions to Abate Nuisance or Revocation of Use

1708 N. Las Palmas Avenue (Rusty Mullet)

To Whom It May Concern:

Representing Hollywood and the 13th District on the Los Angeles City Council, my top priority is ensuring public safety and elevating the quality of life throughout our neighborhoods.

The establishment located at 1708 N. Las Palmas Avenue, home of the Rusty Mullet, has been cited for multiple recurring violations of its Conditional Use Permit (CUB). Since January 1, 2014, the establishment has generated 46 investigative reports, notices to appear or arrest reports from the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). During this time, LAPD has found Rusty Mullet to have repeatedly violated several conditions of its CUB, including 15 separate violations of Condition No. 10, which prohibits music from being audible beyond the subject premises. LAPD has also found the establishment to have been in repeated violation of various conditions of

its Alcohol & Beverage Control (ABC) permit, and out of compliance with LAPD Police Commission requirements for live entertainment and dancing.

Included in the 46 incidents recorded by the LAPD since January 1, 2014 are 26 crime reports, all of which were generated from activity within the venue itself. LAPD also responded to four additional instances of criminal activity that occurred just outside the venue, but involved individuals who were patronizing the Rusty Mullet shortly before the crimes took place.

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From January 1st, 2014, to July 13th, 2016, Hollywood Division Officers have investigated 24 Battery occurrences that transpired immediately outside of the facility, 4 Domestic Battery incidents that transpired beside the venue, 4 Battery of a Police Officer offenses which resulted in significant Officer Injury and were perpetuated immediately outside of the "Rusty Mullet" premises, a Battery of a Fire Department Official offense that resulted in three Fire Department Officials sustaining injury, an additional Rape that occurred immediately outside the premises, 2 Sexual Assaults that transpired beside the venue, 5 Robberies that occurred directly outside the premises, 9 Aggravated Assaults which occurred immediately beside the facility, a Kidnapping occurrence that happened outside of the premises, an act of Indecent Exposure that transpired along the intersection fronting the facility, 12 Thefts that occurred along public areas fronting the location, 6 Grand Theft Auto occurrences, 1 Grand Theft Person incident involving multiple victims, 1 Burglary, and 6 Vandalism occurrences all of which occurred directly outside of the subject premises.

Since 2014, Hollywood Division Officers have arrested 3 individuals for Possession of Illegal Dirk or Dagger Offenses who were occupying space on public areas abutting the "Rusty Mullet" premises, one person for a Possession of a Controlled Substance for Sales offense and a one person for a Transportation of Marijuana for Sales violation who were lingering around the exterior of the "Rusty Mullet" premises.

From 2014 to the present, Hollywood Division Police Officers additionally arrested 23 individuals for violations of Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 41.27(d) - Possession of opened Alcoholic Beverage Container Beside an ABC Licensed establishment and 20 individuals for violations of Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 41.27(c) – Drinking Alcoholic Beverages in Public Access Spaces. In the concerned time frame, Officers also arrested 2 individuals for violations of Municipal Code Section 41.18(d) – Loitering/Obstructing a Public Sidewalk, 11 persons for violations of Penal Code Section 374.4 (A) – Public Urination, 5 individuals for violations of Health and Safety Code Section 11357(b) – Possession of Less than an Ounce of Marijuana, 2 persons for violations of Municipal Code Section 80.73 - Illegal Vending, and 113 individuals for violations of Business and Professions Code Section 25620(a) – Possession of an Opened Alcoholic Beverage in a Public Place. All of these arrests were affected in the public areas that immediately surround the "Rusty Mullet" property and all of these arrests were resolved by the issuance of Release from Custody Citations.

Although the "Rusty Mullet" enterprise cannot be directly connected to all of the aforementioned incidents of disorderly conduct and lawlessness, the deviant operation of the premises and the open construction of the facility have contributed substantially to an exacerbation of public nuisance conditions and serve to promote the overall prevalence of disorder that has become a chronic feature of the intersection expanse that fronts the involved establishment.

During this focused investigation of "Rusty Mullet" operational noncompliance, Hollywood Vice Investigators have completed 18 Administrative Declarations related to separate "Rusty Mullet" compliance inspections that resulted in the identification of Municipal Code and Business and Professions Code Violations. In that same time frame, Investigators made 17 separate arrests of "Rusty Mullet" establishment managers and staff members for Los Angeles Municipal Code violations pertaining to the operational conditions associated with the venue and Business and Professions Code offenses regulating the business function.

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"Rusty Mullet" establishment is located at 1708 N Las Palmas Avenue (The "Rusty Mullet" property is situated just beyond the northeast corner of the Hollywood Blvd/Las Palmas Avenue intersection) and is heavy patronized Hollywood Entertainment District ABC retail venue.

The Hollywood Vice Office has had substantial experience with the "Rusty Mullet" establishment and numerous past inspections have resulted in the identification of various Conditional Use Permit adherence failures with the most blatant and consistently violated provision being Condition 10 of the establishment Conditional Use Permit, which prohibits the location operator(s) from allowing music circulated throughout or generated from the location interior to be audible outside of the premises.

Numerous past examinations have revealed that the venue is routinely operated in violation of several Conditional Use Permit Provisions aside from Condition No. 10, all of which were imposed by the Los Angeles Zoning Administration and Department of City Planning to essentially ensure that the premises conforms to the character it was initially proposed to be when the operator was granted the privilege to dispense and/or sell alcohol and provide limited live entertainment by those same Los Angeles entities.

The Los Angeles Zoning Administration and Department of City Planning granted the "Rusty Mullet" operator with a Conditional Use Permit (Case No. ZA 2012-2850 CUB) on May 23rd, 2013. The concerned Grant and associated Conditional Use Permit authorized the "Continued sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with an existing restaurant.

The "Rusty Mullet" Conditional Use Permit is comprised of 34 conditions regulating and restricting use of the property the establishment is connected with. The 34 conditions essentially consist of operational requirements that were imposed to ensure that the mode and character of the establishment remains consistent with the restaurant type of operation it was purposed to be when the grant was issued.

Past inspections of the premises have revealed that while the mode and character of the facility represents the restaurant during day time operations the property uses vary severely during evening and night functions. Extensive examination of the establishment during evening and night hours has exposed that the premises is routinely operated in a fashion that is more consistent with a nightclub than a restaurant. After 2100-hours, on a nightly basis, the facility is routinely utilized to accommodate patron dancing and regularly features live entertainment performances and the circulation of incredibly loud amplified music.

The Conditional Use Permit that was afforded to the "Rusty Mullet" operator by the City of Los Angeles contains specific conditions prohibiting the inclusion of such features and property uses. The CUP Conditions that restrict the operator from assuming a commercial character and mode that is consistent with nightclub operations are delineated as follows:

"Rusty Mullet" CUP Condition No. 10 (Which represents the most frequently violated CUP condition and most conspicuously disregarded) specifies that: "A disc-jockey and karaoke is permitted. However, any background music, sound or noise shall not be audible beyond the subject premises. Noise generated on-site shall not exceed the decibel levels stated in the Citywide Noise Ordinance."

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CUP Condition No. 12 specifies that: "No conditional use for dancing has been requested or approved herein. The applicant shall not sublet the premises for nightclub activity. There shall be no renting out of the restaurant to any outside promoters."

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CUP Condition No. 32 requires that: "There shall be no line queuing to enter the business. Space shall be made available inside the restaurant to patrons waiting to be seated."

Close scrutiny of the "Rusty Mullet" venue has revealed that all of the individual CUP Conditions represented above are routinely disregarded by the establishment operator(s) and their agents. During the evening hours of operation the establishment consistently features live amplified and excessively loud entertainment that is audible well beyond the subject premises, patron dancing accommodations, line queues and crowds of loiterers lingering in the public areas immediately surrounding the involved property.

The "Rusty Mullet" establishment has "Facebook" and "Instagram" social media accounts related to it that depict the operation as being consistent with that of a nightclub. The "Facebook" account related to the business contains a link to a 1 minute and 43 second, "YouTube.com" promotional video (Video Universal Resource Locator: <https://youtu.be/23yY9eOnvul>) that depicts the commercial function of the venue. The video content is congruent with the operational modes that have become synonymous with the "Rusty Mullet" facility during the evening hours of use. The video primarily portrays venue patrons dancing and drinking alcoholic beverages while frequenting the establishment. The advertisement video depicts the "Rusty Mullet" venue as a nightclub operation and not a restaurant as patron dancing and alcohol service comprise the majority of the featured content.

Aside from the "YouTube.com" promotional video the "Rusty Mullet" social media accounts contain a multitude of individual advertisements that more or less resembling flyers or public notice hand-bills promoting features offered at the facility such as reduced priced alcoholic beverages and live performances (The advertisements typically contained information pertaining to disc-jockey performances).

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Hey Sir,

Below is a portion of the material I wanted to present. It concludes at the beginning of the individual Vice inspections portions that I will introduce at the hearing and will comprise the bulk of my statement.

Please let me know what you think and if you feel anything should be added or excluded.

Thanks,

Officer Thompson

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"Rusty Mullet" establishment is located at 1708 N Las Palmas Avenue (The "Rusty Mullet" property is situated just beyond the northeast corner of the Hollywood Blvd/Las Palmas Avenue intersection) and is heavy patronized Hollywood Entertainment District ABC retail venue. <?xml:namespace prefix = "o" ns = "urn:schemas-microsoft-com:office:office" />

The Hollywood Vice Office has had substantial experience with the "Rusty Mullet" establishment and numerous past inspections have resulted in the identification of various Conditional Use Permit adherence failures with the most blatant and consistently violated provision being Condition 10 of the establishment Conditional Use Permit, which prohibits the location operator(s) from allowing music circulated throughout or generated from the location interior to be audible outside of the premises.

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with an existing restaurant.

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Past inspections of the premises have revealed that while the mode and character of the facility represents the restaurant during day time operations the property uses vary severely during evening and night functions. Extensive examination of the establishment during evening and night hours has exposed that the premises is routinely operated in a fashion that is more consistent with a nightclub than a restaurant. After 2100-hours, on a nightly basis, the facility is routinely utilized to accommodate patron dancing and regularly features live entertainment performances and the circulation of incredibly loud amplified music.

The Conditional Use Permit that was afforded to the "Rusty Mullet" operator by the City of Los Angeles contains specific conditions prohibiting the inclusion of such features and property uses. The CUP Conditions that restrict the operator from assuming a commercial character and mode that is consistent with nightclub operations are delineated as follows:

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>>> John Whipple <john.whipple@lacity.org> 7/15/2016 3:14 PM >>>

Thanks Officer Thompson,

We will start to research the newly added locations, and are planning to meet you next Friday at 20:00 hrs?

Also, I am planning to be at the revocation hearing.

On Fri, Jul 15, 2016 at 2:11 PM, BENJAMIN THOMPSON <39467@lapd.lacity.org> wrote:

Hi Mr Whipple,

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Joseph's Cafe - 1775 Ivar Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90028

Rusty Mullet - 1708 N Las Palmas Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90028

Lure Nightclub - 1439 N Ivar Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90028

Hyde Lounge - 8117 Sunset Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90046

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Please Note: as of May 16, 2016, I will no longer work in the Condition Compliance Unit. My new assignment is with the Revocation Unit. Your patience with case processing and condition clearance will be very much appreciated during this transition period.

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